## DE VALERA SAYS IRISH PEACE LIES IN UNITY

Settlement Must Guarantee Freedom Worthy of Suf. ferings, He Adds.

WARNS OF OLD CLAIM

'Power Against Us Will Use Every Artifice in Hope of Dividing Us.'

ASKS FAITH IN DELEGATES

Republican Leader Asserts They Do Not Indulge in Foolish Expectations.

By the Associated Press. Dublin, Oct. 10.—Eamon de Valera issued a proclamation to-night the Dail Eireann dealing wih the London conference. In it he declares that the only peace which can end the struggle will be one consistent with the nation's right and one guaranteeing freedom worthy the sufferings endured to secure it.

The Irish delegates who are to meet the British representatives in London, he says, indulge in no foolish hopes, and he advises the country not to indulge in them.

The Sinn Fein leader alludes to the power opposing Irish aspirations, and sounds the warning that essenunswerving faith in those deputed to the way from it is through fustice; the way from it is through threats of act in the nation's behalf.

The text of the proclamation reads: Fellow Citizens: The conference in which the accredited representatives of the nation are about to engage with representatives of the British Government must profoundly influence and may determine the whole course of our country's future. It will affect the lives and fortunes of every section of the community.

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Whatever the differences of the past, it is to the interest, as it is the duty, of all Irishmen to stand together for Ireland now. Our delegates are keenly conscious of their responsibilities, they must be made to feel that a united nation has confidence in them and will support them unflinchingly. They share with each one of us the ardent desire that this secular conflict between the rulthis secular conflict between the rul-ers of Great Britain and the Irish people may happily be brought to

But they realize that the ending of the conflict does not depend upon their will or the will of this nation. The struggle on our side has always been simply for the maintenance of a right that in its nature is indefeasible and that cannot, therefore, be either relinquished or compromised.

The only peace that in the very nature of things can end the struggle will be a peace consistent with the nation's right and guaranteeing freedom worthy the sufferings endured to secure it.

Such a peace will not be easy to

obtain. A claim that conflicts with Ireland's right has been ruthlessly persisted in through centuries of blood. It seems unlikely that this claim will be abandoned now. Peace and that claim are incompatible.

Attitude of Delegates. The delegates are aware that no wisdom of theirs will suffice; they find dulge therefore in no foolish hopes; nor should the country indulge in

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The peace that will end this conflict will be secured not by the skill or statesmanship of the leaders but by the stern determination of a close-knit nation steeled by acceptance of death rather than abandonment of rightful liberty. Nothing but such determination by our people can overcome the forces our delegates will have to contend with.

By heroic endurance in suffering Ireland has gained the position sho holds. Were the prospect of further horrors and turther sacrifices to cause her to quall or faiter for a moment all would be again lost; threats that could force surrender in one vital particular would be relied upon to force surrender in another and another, until all was gone.

Of necessity Ireland must stand where she is, unyielding and fearless on the rock of right or be outmanoeuvred and defeated in detail during the negotiations. Then the slightest lowering of the nation's morale would be fatal and every one whose thought or action tends to lower it is an enemy of peace, an enemy of both islands, an enemy of the cause of humanity, whose progress is intimately linked with each successive triumph of right over might.

The power against us will use

might.

The power against us will use every artifice it knows in the hope of dissipating, dividing, weakening us. We must all beware. Unity that is essential will best be maintained by unswerving faith in those deputed to act in the nation's behalf and a confidence manifesting itself as hitherto in an eloquent discipline.

For this I appeal.

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The Irish Bulletin, organ of the Dail Eireann, says to-night:

"There is neither weakness nor division in the Irish ranks. Equally there is no aggressiveness nor desire for war. The Irish nation is convinced that a peace honorable and advantageous to both countries is eminently possible as a conference meeting to-

both countries is eminently possible as a result of the conference meeting to

### **BOTH SIDES ANXIOUS** TO AVOID CONTROVERSY lloyd George Opens Conference in London To-day.

Special Cable to THE NEW YORK HERALD.

New York Herald Bureau, London, Oct. 10. With the Irish peace conference du to open to-morrow, the talk to-night, both in official circles and about the

### PERSHING SLEPT WHILE PARIS WAITED PATIENTLY

Movie Photographers and Correspondents on Hand at Trocadero While General, Owing to His Aide's Poor French, Didn't Plant Tree.

the Crown, it is assured that the conference will start under favorable auguries and that contact will be established between the delegates in a friendly atmosphere.

All the participants display ample recognition of the care with which they must step. One person close to the Irish delegation was asked to-night: "Suppose Mr. Lloyd George, in his opening talk to-morrow, brings up the question of allegtance?"

"Then we will go home to-morrow night," was his quiet reply.

But the Irish delegates are not expecting to go home to-morrow night, or for many other nights. There is every evidence that they are making preparations for a long stay here.

It will be a dramatic moment when, for instance, Michael Collins, legendary hero of all that is romantle, gallant, startling and bold in the Irish Republican army, takes his seat across the conference table from one-time "Galloper" (Frederick E.) Smith of Sir Edward Carson's Ulster army, now Lord Chanacellor of England and one of the British Cabinet Committee. It will be their first meeting, for when Lord Birkenshies part—a part not dissimilar from that which Mr. Collins has played more recently—Mr. Collins has played more recently—Mr. Collins has played more that which Mr. Collins has played more recently—Mr. Collins was a sorting clerk in the London post office. The very fact that these two personalities sit down around a relatively small council table, where the men there must get to know one another, is, perhaps, the most hopeful element in the entire Irish situation.

Also it will be the first meeting of the care with the safety of Great Britain, provided the naval defence of both countries was under one authority.

Also it will be the first meeting of numerous other members of the con-ference, such as Winston Spencer Churchill, Secretary of State for the Colonies, and Arthur Griffith, Sinn Fein Foreign Minister; Sir Laming Worthing-ton Evans, Secretary of State for War, and Robert C. Barton, Sinn Fein Min-ister of Frongries

Irish headquarters, reveals that both sides are anxious to avoid controversial subjects. The Irish representatives will go to Downing Street at 11 o'clock tomorrow merning, when Prime Minister Lloyd George will open the session with an outline of the Government's attitude. He is reported to be preparing this tonight with the utmost care in order to avoid anything like a provocative expression.

It has been hinted that at the beginning of the conference the Irish delegates would bring up a demand for the release of Sinn Fein partisans who are in internment camps. It was said in authoritative circles to-day that such a demand would not be made. With the Irish refraining from broaching this question, which is so full of possible heat, and Mr. Lloyd George refraining from the question of Irish allegiance to the release of Sinn Fein partisans who are in internment camps. It was said in authoritative circles to-day that such a demand would not be made. With the Irish refraining from broaching this question, which is so full of possible heat, and Mr. Lloyd George refraining from the question of Irish allegiance to the following the form of Economics.

These elements will all actually be in the conference, and the conference will have to skate over much thin ice before it ends.

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### DROPS 1.500 FEET SAFELY IN BLAZING PARACHUTE Balloonist Suffers Only Two Broken Ribs.

POINT PLEASANT, W. Va., Oct. 10 .--Harry Fox, a balloonist of Charleston, when a guide rope of his balloon in which he was flying over Point Pleasant caught fire and spread to the parachute

He was 1,500 feet in the gir, but risked the jump. The burning parachute did feet of the ground, the balloonist alighting on a sand pile. He suffered two broken ribs. The balloon came down un-

Fox's father, William S. Fox, was killed at Dayton in 1917 during experimental flights, and his brother, A'fred, met death in an airplane accident at Newark in 1918. Fox said to-night he

### DIVISION OF SILESIA ARMS PARLEY VIEW IN LEAGUE COUNCIL AROUSES GERMANY

Silesia Pretext for Consider- Chancellor Wirth Threatens to Harding's Objection.

Special Cable to The New York Herald.

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The failure of Gen. Pershing's aides to speak French sufficiently well to make the General's social engagements while he is in Paris resulted to-day in an awkward situation, Gen. Pershing sleeping soundly in the Hotel Crillon while hundreds of persons waited in the Trocadero Gardens to watch him plant a small oak tree, destined as a symbol of Franco-American amity.

Chema and newspaper men and most of the American colony here, as well as several French officers, gathered for another glimpse of America's warrior, as all the Paris newspapers had announced the ceremony without any contradiction.

When Gen. Pershing failed to appear, however, a telephone call was sent to the Crillon. It elicited the statement that the Crillon while show here shandoned.

The New York Herald Bureau. New York Herald Bureau. Another session of the Supering said the Paris new Herald Bureau later learned that when Gen. Pershing's alde to Ershing's alde to Ershing's alde to Evaluate the French and British attitudes to be adopted at the Washington conference are likely to play an important part in the agenda, was rumored to explain in more or less broken French to explain in word explain in wor Another session of the Supreme Council, whereat the French and British attitudes to be adopted at the Washington conference are likely to play an important part in the agenda, was rumored to-day in well informed diplomatic circles. The time suggested for the session is immediately after the League of Nations council has announced its recommendations in connection with the Upper Silesian settlement. Although this would have the appearance of opposing President Harding's view that a preliminary conference of the big Powers should be avoided, it is considered here that some sort of contact between the Powers is inevitable, following Premier Briand's declaration yesterday that his policy regarding internal and external affairs is based wholly on allied solidarity.

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ripe reflection, for we have the conviction that the legitimate interests of France have not been presented to England as they should have been," it says. "If M. Briand goes to Washington without having regulated his conduct thus, we will be exposed to the mest dangerous possibilities."

The semi-official Temps contents itself The semi-odicial Temps contents itself with paraphrasing M. Briand's expression of policy, but stresses the fact that "France cannot disarm as long as her security is not definitely assured and she is given a certainty that her rights, dignity and existence will not again be

molested."

It is now believed possible that Premier Briand will seize the opportunity of strengthening his own position internally, as well as with France's allies and the United States, by lifting the sanctions against the Ruhr district before he leaves here for Washington. Details of Germany's disarmament efforts, published to-night, have all the earmarks of having been inspired for this purpose. FIFTY DESTROYERS GO SOUTH.

Newport, Oct. 10.—This was moving day for the destroyer force of the At-lantic fleet. Fifty of the vessels, under Rear Admiral Ashley H. Robertson, left their summer quarters in Narragansett Bay for the winter base at Charleston

## Retire and Reparations

Plan Is Menaced.

to Berlin of Chancellor Wirth and the unexpected conference

darity.

It is seen here that any decision by the Supreme Council regarding Upper the Supreme Council regarding Upper the Silesia is bound to bring up the question of a reduction in military forces, as premier Briand has now confessed that Germany has practically compiled with the treaty's disarmament claunes with the exception of her police organization, and, therefore, there is little necessity of maintaining troops alorg the Ruhr frontler.

Sees Danger Sinn Fein May Create Feeling of Insecurity.

London, Oct. 10.—Viscount Grey, addressing a Liberal meeting at Berwick-on-Tweed to-night, discussed the Irish conference.

"The Irish delegates," he said, "are not dealing with the British Government alone; they are beginning to deal of the first time with British public opinion."

To me danger, he declared, was that the Irish representatives might force be British people really believed their self-epore actually before the conference british in the Irish representatives might force british government and the procuring of foreign credits. Issue was given to the connections that the general phases of the discussion regarding the discussion regarding the listing of the cooperation of industrial, missue was given to the connections that the general phases of the discussion regarding in view the ensured the manual and commercial interests and the procuring of foreign credits.

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By the Associated Press. Riga, Letvia. Oct. 10.—The State Department in Washington now is ready to consider individual applications for the granting of American passports to travellers desiring to enter Soviet Russia

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Washington, Oct. 10.—The State Department in easing the restriction upon Americans desiring to enter Russia with passports primarily took this action for the purpose of permitting accredited newspaper correspondents to go into that country in connection with operations of the American Relief Expedition.

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